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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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JOSEPH STECHLER et al., : Civ. Action. No.05-3485 (HAA)  
Plaintiffs, :  
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- against - :  
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SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD, L.L.P. :  
et al., :  
Defendants. :  
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**NOTICE OF AUTOMATIC STAY**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 17, 2005, Refco Inc. and certain of its  
subsidiaries, including defendants Refco Capital Markets, Ltd. and Refco Capital, LLC (the  
“Refco Defendants”), filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District  
of New York voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the Title 11 of the United  
States Code. The bankruptcy cases are jointly administered as *In re Refco Inc. et al, Debtors*,  
Case No. 05- 60006 (RRD).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 362, this action is automatically stayed as against the Refco Defendants and cannot be prosecuted, nor can any judgment be rendered, against either of the Refco Defendants, absent an order of the Bankruptcy Court.

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